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relating to the standardization of weights and measures prevailing there. Are we to conclude then that the Government have been so far abetting the crime of irregularities in weights and measures?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" There is no question of abetting. The hon. Member has not properly understood me. In order to frame the rules on right lines, we have sent an officer to Bombay to study the rules prevailing in that State."

SRI T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIAR :—" Apart from the difference in measures in different places, there is difference in the measures in the same place such as the vara para and the rent para, mention of which can be found even in the documents coming within the cognizance of the Government. Will the Government see that a particular class of people are not given the right to have their own measures?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Weights and measures also are peculiar in Malabar, as other things are peculiar in Malabar."

SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR :—" Are the Government aware that the janmi is using different sets of paras or edangazhis, one set for receiving rent and a different set for giving wages?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" There are varying measures. That is why the Government propose to fix one edangazhi at two-thirds of a Madras measure and one para at 6-2/3 of a Madras measure. The rules will be framed on this line."

SRI C. H. KANARAN :—" On a point of order, Sir. The question is about the use of two sets of paras by the same janmi, one set for receiving rent and a different set for giving wages. That question has not been answered."

Co-operative Marketing and Sales Society, Anakapalle.

* 351 *Q*.—SRI K. GOVINDA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Co-operative Marketing and Sales Society of Anakapalle, Visakhapatnam district, was superseded by the Government;

(*b*) if so, when;

(*c*) whether the Government propose to conduct an election in the near future to hand it over back to the elected body; and

(*d*) if so, when?

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The Committee of the Society was superseded for a period of one year from 25th February 1952.

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"(c) & (d) The supersession of the Committee has been extended for a further period of one year from 25th February 1953. The normal management can be restored only on the expiry of the extended period."

SRI K. GOVINDA RAO :—" In view of the fact that the Society has returned to normalcy, why did the Government extend the period of supersession by one more year? "

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" I am not prepared to accept the first part of the question that the Society has returned to normalcy."

SRI P. VENKATASUBBAYYA :—" What were the irregularities that warranted the supersession and were those defects rectified after the appointment of a Special Officer? "

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" There are very many defects. If the hon. Member wants to know all the defects, I will supply him with a list. But for satisfying his curiosity, I will mention two defects. The first is that the ex-president violated the Gur Control Order of 1950 and sold jaggery at a price higher than the ceiling rate fixed in the order during the jaggery season 1950-51. The second is that the Committee failed to take prompt action to recover the amounts due to the Society."

SRI G. LATCHANNA :—" May I know, Sir, what are the conditions that forced the Government to extend the period of supersession? " 9-20 a.m.

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" The only condition is that the society has not come to the normal status."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" Sir, the Hon. Minister was telling us the reason why the society was superseded and a Special Officer appointed. The supersession has been extended by another year. May I know whether the Special Officer has failed in his duties and all the defects that were being committed by the society are persisted in by the Special Officer also now? "

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" Sir, the Special Officer will not commit such mistakes. As a matter of fact, it will take much longer time than one year to rectify the defects committed by the ex-president."

Attappady-Thadakam road, Malabar district.

* 352 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether any work has been started in the Attapady-Thadakam road in the Malabar district?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" No. Investigation on the work has been completed and the estimate and plans are under scrutiny."